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Sent: Sunday, February 7, 2021 6:08 PM
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Subject: [External] SC Public School Teacher Concerned about Dominion Solar Panel Proposal.

My name is Dayton Colie. I've been a teacher at a public high school for over 20 years. I'm mentioning this because - as most people know - teachers live on fairly thin margins, especially with a family of four. We put solar panels on our house a few years ago to help out with the extremely high electric bills that we (honestly everyone) have been experiencing since the fundraising for the nuke plant addition began. I contacted Leon Stavrinakis - our legislative representative, and he said he was pretty sure this was Pubic Service Commission issue.

According to Photovoltaics Magazine (solar panel stuff) Dominion is preparing to financially penalize those of us with panels, and change the rate they pay us for the power we supply to the grid.

The article I'm quoting is linked below, and I've provided the quote that concerns me about it below the link. Please make sure that what the article is describing does not happen, and if you are not able to help, please let me know who can so I can contact them. I'm a big believer in green energy, and feel like their proposal is a step backwards.

<https://pv-magazine-usa.com/2020/12/16/aggressive-new-fees-for-south-carolina-solar-customers-draw-fire/?fbclid=IwAR2QIIZc-MccXt1KlwXUKMTyV2Rq4izjHdiqvOzu6EEC8hvCh9kcNG9LVl0>

Part of the article that has me concerned is below:

Dominion Energy South Carolina has proposed a series of fees and rate changes that, if approved, would add hundreds of dollars to solar homeowners' annual bills and could send shockwaves through the state's residential solar industry.

The proposed charges include raising solar customers' basic service charge to \$19.50 a month. Non-solar customers pay \$9 a month. The utility has also proposed a "solar subscription fee," which would add a monthly cost of \$5.40/kW. The charge would cost the average solar customer, assuming an 8 kW installation \$43.20 per month.

Combined, the two charges could end up costing the average solar homeowner more than \$750 annually.

Outside of the new charges, Dominion is also looking to slash the solar export credit that its customers can receive. The credit currently compensates customers at a dollar-for-dollar rate. The proposed fees face hearings before state utility regulators.

Please don't let this happen.

Thanks

Dayton Colie